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Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of	)	
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Amendment of Parts 2 and 97 of the	)	RM-7747
Commission's Rules Regarding an	)	
Allocation of the 216-220 MHz Band	)	
for the Amateur Service	)	

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ORDER EXTENDING TIME FOR COMMENTS

Adopted: July 22, 1991 **Released:** July 23, 1991

By the Office of Engineering and Technology:

1. On July 17, 1991, Waterway Communications System, Inc. (Watercom) requested that the time for filing comments in the above-captioned proceeding be extended from July 25, 1991 to October 23, 1991.

2. In its request, Watercom states that it is the licensee of the Automated Maritime Telecommunications System (AMTS), which operates in the 216-220 MHz band, and that it needs additional time to conduct an engineering analysis of the proposal contained in RM-7747 for a secondary allocation in this band for the amateur service. Watercom further states that counsel for the petitioner, American Radio Relay League, has been informed of its request for extension of time and does not object to the request.

3. The Commission does not routinely grant extensions of time. However, we concur with Watercom that in this instance an extension of time is warranted to fully analyze the potential for interference between amateur service use of the 216-220 MHz band and the AMTS. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, that the deadline for filing comments in this proceeding IS EXTENDED to October 23, 1991.

4. This action is taken pursuant to authority found in Section 4(i), 302, and 303 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. Sections 154(i), 302, and 303, and pursuant to Sections 0.31 and 0.241 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. Sections 0.31, 0.241.

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